

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee Battelle Memorial Institute
Group Art Unit 2617
Examiner Olumide Ajibade Akonai
Attorney's Docket No. E-1672 (BA4-215)
Customer No. 021567
Title: Communications Device Identification Methods, Communications Methods,
Wireless Communications Readers, Wireless Communications Systems, And
Articles Of Manufacture

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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Sir:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to the undersigned during the telephone interview. The undersigned and the Examiner discussed the withdrawal of allowable subject matter by the Office after Applicant's appeal. The undersigned and the Examiner discussed the teachings of Becker with respect to the limitations of the claims. Applicants submitted proposed claim amendments of independent claims 1, 12 and 32 which are included herewith as new dependent claims. The new dependent claims reciting that the search procedures

include different steps were favorably received by the Examiner and were indicated by the Examiner to recite allowable subject matter over the prior art of record.

The undersigned and the Examiner discussed the 101 rejection of claim 32 with respect to the amendment set forth in the accompanying response. The Examiner indicated that the amendment to claim 32 overcomes the 101 rejection.

Applicants respectfully submit the claims are allowable for at least the compelling reasons set forth in the accompanying response. Applicants also respectfully submit that the new dependent claims are also allowable over the prior art.

Applicants respectfully request allowance of the application in the next Action.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 15, 2010

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